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A BILL FOR

1 An Act providing an appropriation for a pilot program to expand
2 the availability of a holistic, multidisciplinary approach to
3 addressing the health needs of primarily low to moderate
4 income persons.
5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 1 Section 1. HOLISTIC HEALTH PILOT PROGRAM. There is
2 2 appropriated from the general fund of the state to the
1 3 department of public health for the fiscal year beginning July
1 4 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2008, the following amount, or so
1 5 much thereof as is necessary, to be used for the purposes
1 6 designated:

1 7 For a grant to implement a pilot program to expand the
1 8 availability of the med=fit program to additional areas of the
1 9 state in accordance with this section:
1 10 \$ 1,050,000

1 11 1. a. The amount appropriated in this section shall be
1 12 awarded as a grant to a nonprofit organization operating a
1 13 medical center located in a city with a population between
1 14 66,000 and 67,000. The organization must have a clinic system
1 15 operating in at least 14 communities in northeast Iowa and
1 16 have experience in operating the med=fit program.

1 17 b. For the purposes of this section, "med=fit program"
1 18 means a holistic, multidisciplinary approach targeted to
1 19 addressing the health needs of a population of persons who
1 20 primarily live on a low to moderate income level due to
1 21 disease, medical condition, or disability.

1 22 2. The grant shall be used to expand the med=fit program
1 23 to the same target population on a pilot program basis for two
1 24 years in a large metropolitan area encompassing a county in
1 25 central Iowa with a population of more than 400,000 and in a
1 26 rural area of northeast Iowa based in the largest city of a
1 27 county with a population between 21,290 and 21,300.

1 28 3. The pilot program provisions shall include providing
1 29 participants with an appropriate exercise program to meet
1 30 participant physical, mental, and emotional needs; providing
1 31 support and education for participants and participant
1 32 families; providing regular participant quantitative and
1 33 qualitative evaluations; and providing a regular program
1 34 evaluation component.

1 35 4. The population figures referenced in this section refer
2 1 to the population figures issued in the United States census
2 2 bureau July 1, 2005, estimate.

2 3 5. Notwithstanding section 8.33, moneys appropriated in
2 4 this section that remain unencumbered or unobligated at the
2 5 close of the fiscal year shall not revert but shall remain
2 6 available for expenditure for the purposes designated until
2 7 the close of the succeeding fiscal year.

2 8 EXPLANATION

2 9 This bill provides an appropriation to the department of
2 10 public health for a grant for a pilot program to expand the
2 11 availability of the med=fit program.

2 12 The appropriation is designated for a grant to an
2 13 organization with experience operating the "med=fit program".
2 14 The bill defines this term to mean a holistic,
2 15 multidisciplinary approach targeted to addressing the health
2 16 needs of a population of persons who primarily live on a low
2 17 to moderate income level due to disease, medical condition, or
2 18 disability. Qualifying requirements for the grantee

2 19 organization are specified. The pilot program is required to
2 20 expand the med=fit program for a two=year period in a
2 21 metropolitan area located in central Iowa and a rural area
2 22 located in northeast Iowa. Various components are required to
2 23 be included in the pilot program.
2 24 A nonreversion clause allows unexpended funds to be carried
2 25 forward into the succeeding fiscal year.
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